



**CITY OF SAN DIEGO
OFFICE OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT MYRTLE COLE
FOURTH COUNCIL DISTRICT**

DATE: February 2, 2017
TO: Honorable City Councilmembers
FROM: Council President Myrtle Cole *Myrtle Cole*
SUBJECT: Appointment of Dennis Hodges to the Citizens' Advisory Board on Police/Community Relations

It is my pleasure to nominate Dennis Hodges for appointment as the representative of social service, corrections, probation or other related field category to the Citizens' Advisory Board on Police/Community Relations.

Mr. Hodges worked for the California Department of Corrections as a correctional officer for thirty-two years. In this position, he oversaw the health and safety of staff and prisoners, and physically patrolled and visually inspected units, yards, buildings, prisoners, prisoner property and clothing to ensure their welfare, safety and security.

Through his work as a correctional officer, Mr. Hodges was exposed to the needs of the prisoners. He made a conscious choice to outreach to those in need through the church. During his tenure at New Creation Church, he has served in many capacities, including spiritual advisor and teacher of the Promise Keepers class, leader of the Outreach Ministry and Celebrate Recover Ministry, as well as a mentor to church members.

His connection with the families of the southeast community makes Mr. Hodges a perfect fit for this board. In addition, having served as a chaplain of the San Diego Police Department, Mr. Hodges acknowledges the importance of strong relations among the community and police.

It is my hope that you appoint Dennis Hodges as the representative of social service, corrections, probation or other related field category to the Citizens' Advisory Board on Police/Community Relations.

cc: Honorable Councilmembers
Francis Barraza, Director of Appointments
Erin Demorest, Director of Legislative Affairs